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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

3 SECTION 1. STUDY; REPORT.

- 4 (a) Study.—Pursuant to reclamation laws, the Sec-
- 5 retary of the Interior (hereafter in this Act referred to
- 6 as the "Secretary"), through the Bureau of Reclamation
- 7 and in consultation with the Santee Sioux Tribe of Ne-
- 8 braska (hereafter in this section referred to as the
- 9 "Tribe"), shall conduct a feasibility study to determine the
- 10 most feasible method of developing a safe and adequate
- 11 municipal, rural, and industrial water treatment and dis-
- 12 tribution system for the Santee Sioux Tribe of Nebraska
- 13 that could serve the tribal community and adjacent com-
- 14 munities and incorporate population growth and economic
- 15 development activities for a period of 40 years.
- 16 (b) Cooperative Agreement.—At the request of
- 17 the Tribe, the Secretary shall enter into a cooperative
- 18 agreement with the Tribe for activities necessary to con-
- 19 duct the study required by subsection (a) regarding which
- 20 the Tribe has unique expertise or knowledge.
- 21 (c) Report.—Not later than 1 year after funds are
- 22 made available to carry out this Act, the Secretary shall
- 23 transmit to Congress a report containing the results of
- 24 the study required by subsection (a).

1 SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

- 2 There is authorized to be appropriated to the Sec-
- 3 retary \$500,000 to carry out this Act.

Passed the House of Representatives September 24, 2002.

Attest:

Clerk.